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EVALUATION OF DISSEMINATED INFORMATION REPORTS

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1. POLICY

The Agency policy is to provide guidance by end users, through the evaluation of intelligence information reports, which will assist in the management of the collection systems and increase the effectiveness of reporting.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. Any Office which initiates a specific collection requirement is responsible for evaluating the information collected and reported by the Deputy Director (Plans) or the Assistant Director for Operations in response to such requirement.
- b. The Assistant Directors for Research and Reports and for Scientific Intelligence, in their respective fields of intelligence research, will evaluate selected OO and CS information reports as requested by the originators. Other components will evaluate reports upon request when operational or other factors make this desirable.
- c. The Deputy Director (Plans) and the Assistant Director for Operations will select the reports which they wish evaluated, and in each selected report will indicate to the Assistant Director for Collection and Dissemination by which CIA Offices or other departments or agencies evaluation is desired. A specific time limit for return of the completed evaluation may be stated.
- d. Each using Office is responsible for initiating evaluations of CIA reports pertinent to its field of interests, especially when such reports are considered exceptionally high in quality, when there is evidence of duplication or fabrication, or when there is an opportunity to provide guidance to collectors by such evaluations.

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- e. The various components of this Agency will evaluate information reports collected by other member agencies of the IAC, on request or on their own initiative.
- f. End users in CIA will evaluate selected collection programs on request of collecting components.
- g. The Assistant Director for Collection and Dissemination, coordinating with the Assistant Director for Operations and the Chief of Foreign Intelligence, DD/P, will effect interagency arrangements so that other departments and agencies will evaluate CIA information reports upon request when such reports are:
- (1) In response to specific collection requirements originated by the department or agency concerned.
 - (2) On subjects of primary departmental interest.
- h. Evaluating Offices of CIA may coordinate their own evaluations by obtaining working level comments and recommendations of analysts in other CIA Offices and other intelligence agencies. Such coordination will be accomplished whenever it is probable that such evaluations will have substantial effect on collection activities.

3. THE NATURE OF AN EVALUATION

An evaluation is a critical estimate and appraisal by a using department, agency, or office of the Government, or by one of the components of CIA, of an intelligence information report.

a. It will include in all cases:

- (1) A rating of the value, significance, and importance to the user of the information reported.
- (2) An assessment of the truth of the information.
- (3) An indication of the extent to which the information reported fulfills any requirement, whether or not such a requirement has been submitted formally.
- (4) Remarks as to whether or not the information reported can be obtained from other sources, including overt sources.

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b. It will include as appropriate or pertinent:

- (1) An indication of the timeliness of the information, or, in case of material on projects not being worked on at present, the value of having the report in the files.
- (2) Remarks concerning scope and presentation of information, and suggestions for improvement.
- (3) Comparison of the relative merits and value of this reporting with similar information furnished by other collectors.
- (4) Statement as to desirability of additional information from the same source on the same or related subjects.

4. PROCEDURES

- a. The Deputy Director (Intelligence) and the Deputy Director (Plans) will establish procedures to carry out the provisions of this Regulation within the components under their respective jurisdiction.
- b. In addition to the procedures which derive from the activities described in paragraphs 1 through 3, above, the Assistant Director for Operations and the Chief of Foreign Intelligence, on behalf of the Deputy Director (Intelligence) and the Deputy Director (Plans) respectively, will collaborate with the Chief, Management Staff, Deputy Director (Administration) in the development of appropriate evaluation forms.

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